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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Claims 1–6. (Cancelled).

7. (Original) A method of controlling the flow of fluidic materials within a tubular housing that defines an inlet passage and one or more outlet passages, comprising:

- injecting fluidic materials into the inlet passage;
- blocking the inlet passage; and
- opening the outlet passages.

Claims 8–16. (Cancelled).

17. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein blocking the inlet passage comprises:

- blocking the inlet passage by placing a ball plug into a throat passage defined in the inlet passage.

18. (Original) The method of claim 7, further comprising:

- conveying the injected fluidic materials radially out of the inlet passage into a plurality of spaced apart longitudinal passages defined in the tubular housing and into an annular chamber defined in the tubular housing that surrounds the inlet passage.

19. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 18, further comprising:

- preventing debris from entering the annular chamber[;].

20. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein opening the outlet passages comprises:

- detecting the operating pressure of the injected fluidic materials; and if the detected operating pressure of the injected fluidic materials exceeds a predetermined amount, then opening the outlet passages.